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TO: Board of Oil, Gas and Mining

Lowell P. Braxton, Administrator, Mineral Resource Development and Reclamation Program THRU:

David M. Wham, Reclamation Hydrologist FROM:

RF: Public Comment, MRP Amendment, Mercur Canyon Project, Meadow Canyon Reservoir, Barrick Mercur Gold Mines, Inc.,

ACT/045/017, Tooele County, Utah

Attached for your information is a copy of a letter received during the public comment period for the above-referenced project.

The issue of concern is the proposed construction of the Meadow Canyon Dam. The maximum extent of waters impounded by the dam will affect approximately 4.8 acres of state-owned land located in Lot 14, Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 3 West (refer to attached map). A potential conflict exists between the following uses on the site:

- Mining State Mineral Lease No. ML 42967 (Section 32, Lots 1-18) is held by Barrick Mercur Gold Mines, Inc.
- Grazing State Grazing Lease No. GP 21845 (Section 32, Lots 1-18) is held by Mrs. Vinnie H. Ault.

As this issue wholly involves the usage of state leases, the Division has forwarded the matter to the Division of State Lands and Forestry for resolution.

ib Attachments cc: Glen Eurick Barrick Mercur Gold Mines, Inc. Jerry Masfield State Lands and Forestry Wayne Hedberg 0851R-55

357 So Joade O. RESERVE Pleasant Grow, let NOV 06 1986 Mean Ser; DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING We are writing to protest the approval No. act/045/017 Division of Oil, Has and Mining by Barick Mercu Sold Mines, Inc. Socle County, utah. We have had a state lease #21845 for over 40 years on Sec. 32, Jots 1-18 and if Barriels are allowed to gut a Meadow Canyon Reserver it would be on our graded. Os you can see it would greatly interfer with our operations. On July 16, 1986, The State of Utal Levision of Matural Resources sent us a letter stating that Barrick Mining had obtained a lease to go on this property for mineral testing and would get in touch with us of their intentions to go on the property and damages, etc. We have heard nothing from their We do protest this gysroval and will be waiting to appear before the Board about this property! Thanh Your Board.

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Reservoir Extent

T5S, R3W

MEADOW CANYON DAM